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HYPROCITICAL BOURGEOIS REACTIONARIES IN BENGHAZI

1. QADHAFI'S SPEECH OF MARCH 30 KICKED OFF A CAMPAIGN TO COUNTER EGYPTIAN AND TUNISIAN ATTACKS AND TO GIVE AN APPEARANCE OF POPULAR SUPPORT FOR THE REGIME. JALLUD SPOKE IN BENGHAZI APRIL 1, AT A NEWLY-OPENED GOVERNMENT HOUSING PROJECT, AND CHIEF OF STAFF ABU BAKR YUNIS SPOKE APRIL 3 TO A RURAL CROWD FROM JAMAYL (AN AREA NEAR THE TUNISIAN BORDER IN THE PATH OF TUNISIAN BROADCASTS) IN FRONT OF RCC HEADQUARTERS. YUNIS, WHO IS ILL AT EASE IN FRONT OF A CROWD AND AN ABYSMAL SPEAKER, DID NOT HAVE MUCH TO SAY, BUT JALLUD'S SPEECH IN BENGHAZI WAS MORE INTERESTING.

2. JALLUD'S MAIN THEME WAS A PASSIONATE ATTACK ON "BOURGEOIS REACTIONARIES." HE SPOKE IN TERMS OF A CLASS STRUGGLE: THE BOURGEOIS, I.E., WANTED TO REPRESS "PROLETARIANS" AND TO RIDE AROUND IN MERCEDES WHILE

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WORKERS LIVE IN HUTS. IT WAS UP TO THE MASSES TO SETTLE

ACCOUNTS WITH THEM. HEARTS OF THE RCRWQBWED#FOR THE POOR.
UNDER THE MONARCHY, THE ONLY PEOPLE LIVING IN BENGHAZI
HAD BEEN THESE "DISGUSTING BOURGEOIS." THEY HAD BEEN
THE FIRST PEOPLE TO SELL OUT TO THE ITALIANS, TOO.
(COMMENT: THE PEOPLE JALLUD IS TALKING ABOUT ARE THE
TRADITIONAL RELIGIOUS, CULTURAL AND COMMERCIAL ELITE OF
BENGHAZI.)

3. MEANWHILE, MARCHES AND RALLIES ARE CONTINUING.
SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND OIL COMPANIES WERE LET OUT APRIL
IN TRIPOLI, AND A NOISY CROWD OF STUDENTS HAS JUST
PASSED BY THE EMBASSY, CARRYING BANNERS AND SHOUTING
SLOGANS. IT WAS GOOD-NATURED, FORTUNATLEY.
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